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C O N F I D E N T I A L GABORONE 1729

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SUBJECT: EMBOFF RECEIVES CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM BELISARIO AND
ACHESON

PRETORIA ALSO FOR RSO

REF: GABORONE 1718

1. EMBOFF RECEIVED CHRISTMAS CARD DECEMBER 16 FROM JOE BELISARIO.
RETURN ADDRESS GIVEN AS: JOSEPH T. BELISARIO, MARISTON HOTEL
NO. 2407, JOBURT PARK, JOHANNESBURG, RSA. TEXT OF CARD AS
FOLLOWS: QUOTE. THANKS FOR EVERYTHING YOU HAVE DONE FOR CRAIG
AND I. THE LETTER I PROMISED YOU WILL BE FORTHCOMING TO YOU.
RIGHT NOW WE HAVE JUST SETTLED DOWN, AND STARTED TO WORK, BUT I'LL
GET IF OFF AFTER THE FIRST OF THE NEW YEAR. CHUCK HAGEN SAYS TO SAY
HI. END QUOTE.

2. COMMENT: LETTER TO WHICH BELISARIO REFERRED IS TO BE "FULL
EXPLANATION" OF AMCITS' ACTIVITIES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.
ACCORDING TO WHAT BELISARIO SAID BEFORE DEPARTURE FROM
BOTSWANA, LETTER WILL BE MAILED BY HIS FRIENDS VIA "CLASSIFIED
DIPLOMATIC POUCH."

3. "CHUCK HAGEN" REFERRED TO ABOVE IS PROBABLY AMCIT
CHARLES F. HAGEN HWO HEADS JOHANNESBURG-BASED MINERALS
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COMPANY ACCESS SOUTHERN AFRICA (PTY) LIMITED. HAGEN

WAS IN GABORONE JUNE 9-10 OF THIS YEAR TO TALK WITH MINISTRY
OF MINERAL RESOURCES ABOUT POSSIBILITIES FOR ACCESS SOUTHERN
AFRICA TO PARTICIPATE IN DEVELOPMENT OF SODA ASH IN NORTHERN
BOTSWANA. MINISTRY OFFICIALS WERE UNIMPRESSED WITH HIS
PROPOSALS AND WOULD NOT GRANT SECOND APPOINTMENT WHICH HAGAN
TRIED TO ARRANGE THROUGH EMBASSY VIA COMMERCIAL SECTION,
JOHANNESBURG. WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT CONNECTION HAGAN HAS WITH
BELISARIO AND ACHESON.
THOMSEN

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